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SUBJ: RETURN OF FOREIGN MINISTER

1. I TALKED WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA THIS MORNING. HE RETURNED FROM HIS VISIT TO NEW YORK VERY PLEASED WITH HIS CONVERSATION WITH SECRETARY. HE SAID HE HAD STRESSED TO SECRETARY THAT REALLY ONLY MAJOR POLITICAL ISSUE OUTSTANDING BETWEEN U.S. AND MEXICO WAS THAT OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS. HE SAID HE HAD OUTLINED TO SECRETARY THE THREE MAJOR FACETS OF THIS PROBLEM WHICH WERE AGREEING ON A QUOTA FOR THE IMMIGRANTS, SETTling THEIR RIGHTS SUCH AS THE RIGHT OF MEXICAN CONSULS AT BORDER POINTS TO ACT LEGALLY ON BEHALF OF THOSE IMMIGRANTS AND FINALLY FACT THAT NONE OF US LIKED HAVING THIS PROBLEM WITH US BUT THAT UNFORTUNATELY IT EXISTED. WE AGREED THAT OVER COMING WEEKS WE WOULD ATTEMPT TO DEFINE SOME OF THESE ISSUES MORE PRECISELY BEFORE RABASA MET WITH SECRETARY AGAIN.

2. I MENTIONED TO RABASA THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA PAULLADA WOULD BE MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL RICHARDSON ON OCTOBER 29 AND 30. RABASA SAID HE WOULD TALK WITH OJEDA BECAUSE HE THOUGHT IT ESSENTIAL THAT THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT PROBLEM BE COVERED DURING THESE TALKS SINCE HE REALIZED THAT DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAD A PRIMARY ROLE IN THE MATTER IN OUR GOVERNMENT.

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